Warden Message US Embassy Lusaka June 22, 2006

This message is intended for all American citizens visiting or residing in Zambia. Since some people may not have provided email addresses to the Consular Section I would like to ask the wardens to please distribute the following notice to all American citizens within your registration zone as soon as possible. Thank you.

The Embassy has received information that university students are demonstrating and that traffic has been disrupted along Great East Road in the vicinity of UNZA and the Arcades shopping mall. Similar demonstrations have occurred spontaneously over the past two weeks. No resolution of the circumstances causing the student unrest appears imminent. Though the demonstrations do not target American citizens, in the past Americans have suffered property damage as a result of student action. The situation in and around UNZA remains fluid and could easily lead to injury. American citizens are advised to keep informed of developments and to use caution when traveling in the vicinity of UNZA.

The Embassy would also like to remind Americans living and traveling in Zambia that general elections are expected to be held in the near future. Occasionally, political demonstrations and rallies associated with the election process turn violent unexpectedly, often resulting in police action. The situation can become dangerous when this occurs. The Embassy urges Americans to continuously monitor events as they appear in the press and media, and to take precaution to avoid all political activity.

For the latest security information, Americans living and traveling abroad should regularly monitor the Department's Bureau of Consular Affairs Internet web site at http://travel.state.gov, where the current Worldwide Caution, Public Announcements, and Travel Warnings can be found. Up-to-date information on security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll free in the U.S., or, for callers outside the U.S. and Canada, a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).

The U.S. Embassy is located at the corner of Independence and United Nations Avenues. The mailing address is P.O. Box 31617, Lusaka, Zambia. U.S. citizens may contact the American Embassy during regular work hours, Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and on Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. by dialing 260-1-250-955. For after hours emergencies involving American citizens, please dial 260-1-250-955 extension 1. The fax number is 260-1-252-225. The website is http://zambia.usembassy.gov/.